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INFORMATION-REPRODUCING  
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REPRODUCING METHOD, AND  
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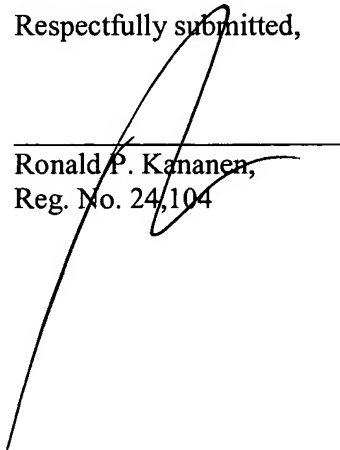
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Sir:

Please inform the undersigned when the initial Action on the merits of the  
above-identified application may be expected. The application has now been pending  
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